IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE S.SIRI JAGAN

TUESDAY, THE 7TH AUGUST 2007 / 16TH SRAVANA 1929

WP(C).No. 10878 of 2007(T)

PETITIONER:

FR.ANTONY POORAKKARA, VICAR,
ST.GEORGE FORANCE CHURCH, EDATHUA,
ALAPPUZHA.

BY ADV. SRI.JOHN JOSEPH VETTIKAD
SRI.SABU GEORGE

RESPONDENTS:

1. STATE OF KERALA, REPRESENTED BY
THE CHIEF SECRETARY, GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT,
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

2. THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (ROADS AND BRIDGES),
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

3. THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (ROADS & BRIDGES),
SOUTH CIRCLE, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

4. ASSISTANT ENGINEER,
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (BUILDINGS SECTION),
EDATHUA, ALAPPUZHA.

BY G.P. SHRI.BENCHAMIN PAUL.

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 07/08/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

S.SIRI JAGAN, J.

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Dated this the 7th day of August, 2007

J U D G M E N T

The petitioner is aggrieved by the non-payment of rent in respect of the building which was occupied by the respondents till 31.12.2002. On 30.7.2007, I had passed an interim order to the following effect:

> "Govt. Pleader submits that rents of the two rooms have been fixed as Rs.894/- and Rs.1042/- per month and sanction has been requested for payment of Rs.1,12,602/- to the petitioner. Counsel for the petitioner submits that in addition to that, the respondents are liable to pay an amount of Rs.23,864/- as electricity charges for the period in question. Learned Govt. Pleader seeks time to get instructions in respect of the same. Post after a week."

2. The learned Government Pleader now submits that if any electricity charges are due, the same also would be paid. In the above circumstances, I dispose of this writ petition with a direction to the respondents to pay to the petitioner an amount of Rs.1,12,602/- as rent and an amount of Rs.23,864/- as electricity charges, as expeditiously as possible, at any rate, within two months from the date of receipt of a copy of this judgment. The

learned counsel for the petitioner seeks a direction to pay interest on the said amounts also. The question of eligibility of the petitioner for interest is left open to be agitated by the petitioner in appropriate proceedings.

The writ petition is disposed of as above.

Sd/-
sdk+ S.SIRI JAGAN, JUDGE

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P.A. to Judge.